



INTEGRATING PEST BIOLOGY, CROP PHENOLOGY AND INSECTICIDE USE TO MANAGE ARTHROPODS ATTACKING VEGETABLE CROPS

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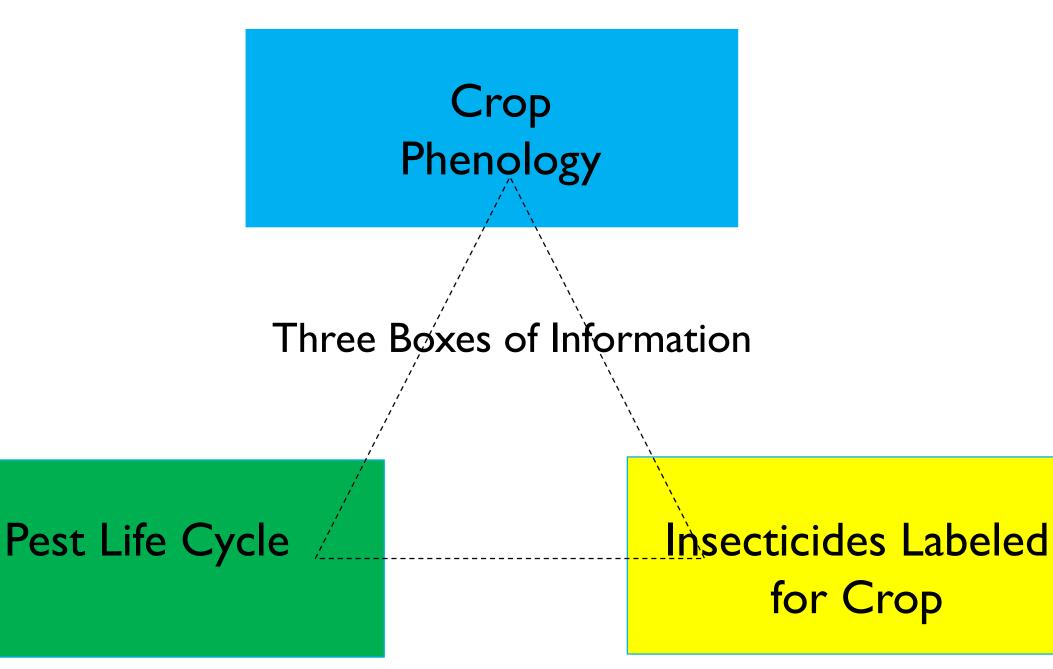
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Crop Phenology:

The sequence of life cycle events: transplant, early vegetative, late vegetative, flowering, fruiting

Insect Life Cycle:

The sequence of each life stage:

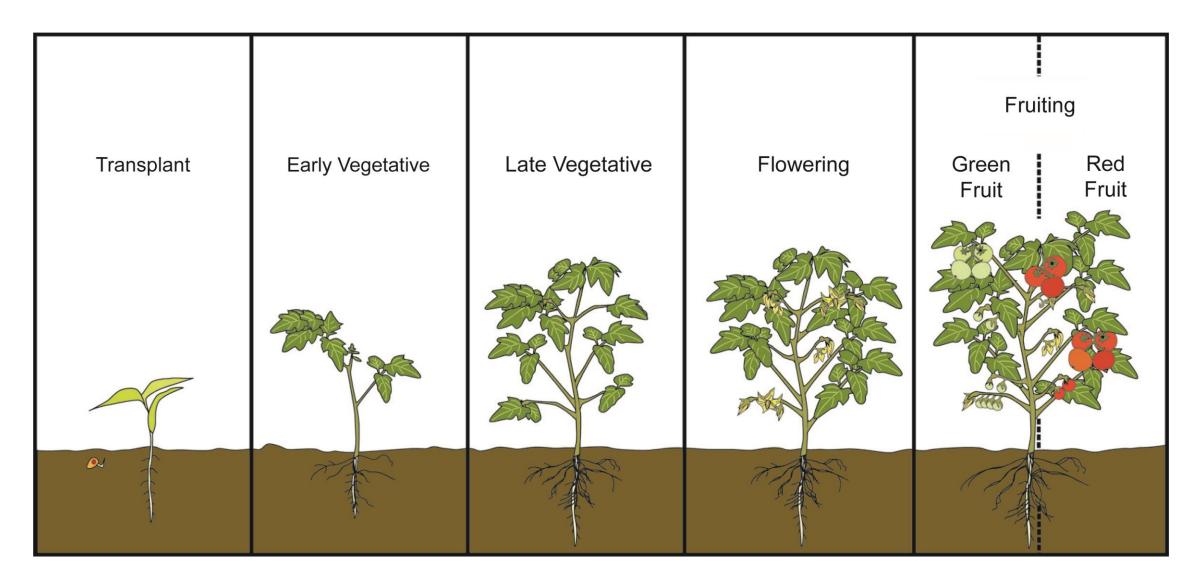
Egg, larva, pupa, adult (complete metamorphosis)

Egg, nymph, adult (incomplete metamorphosis)

Insecticides Labeled for Crop:

It is illegal to apply an insecticide to a crop for which it is not legally registered. Check <u>www.cdms.net</u> for labels.

Tomato Phenology



In 2015, the EPA initiated extensive pollinator safety language in labels.



PROTECTION OF POLLINATORS

APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS EXIST FOR THIS PRODUCT BECAUSE OF RISK TO BEES AND OTHER INSECT POLLINATORS. FOLLOW APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS FOUND IN THE DIRECTIONS FOR USE TO PROTECT POLLINATORS.

Look for the bee hazard icon

in the Directions for Use for each application site for specific use restrictions and instructions to protect bees and other insect pollinators.

This product can kill bees and other insect pollinators.

Bees and other insect pollinators will forage on plants when they flower, shed pollen, or produce nectar.

Bees and other insect pollinators can be exposed to this pesticide from:

- · Direct contact during foliar applications, or contact with residues on plant surfaces after foliar applications
- Ingestion of residues in nectar and pollen resulting from foliar applications.

When Using This Product Take Steps To:

- Minimize exposure of this product to bees and other insect pollinators when they are foraging on pollinator attractive plants in and around the application site.
- Minimize drift of this product on to beehives or to off-site pollinator attractive habitat. Drift of this product onto beehives or off-site to pollinator attractive habitat can result in bee kills.

Information on protecting bees and other insect pollinators may be found at the Pesticide Environmental Stewardship website at: http://pesticidestewardship.org/PollinatorProtection/Pages/default.aspx.

Pesticide incidents (for example, bee kills) should immediately be reported to the state/tribal lead agency. For contact information for your state, go to: www.aapco.org/officials.html. Pesticide incidents should also be reported to the National Pesticide Information Center at: www.npic.orst.edu or directly to EPA at: beekill@epa.gov

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Watermelon Phenology

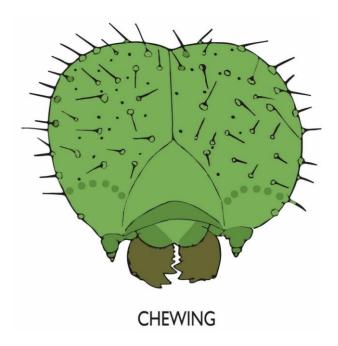
Transplant	Early Vegetative	Flowering	Fruiting

II. Pest Biology

- I. Life Cycle (days)
- 2. Does it transmit a pathogen or is damage mechanical?

(feeding, ovipositing, mining, boring...)

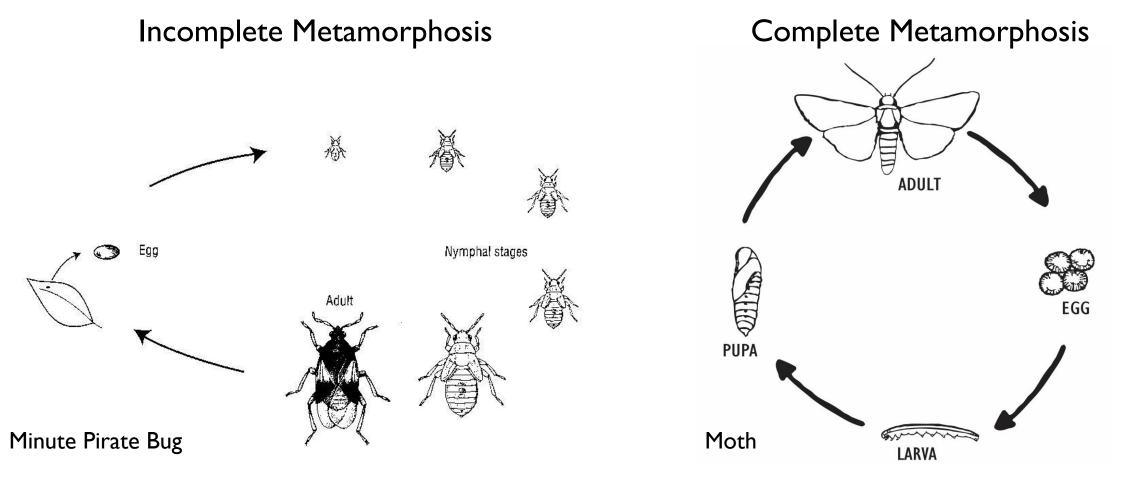
3. What sort of mouth does it have?





II. Pest

- I. Life Cycle
- 2. Damage
- 3. Mouth type
- 4. Metamorphosis



Host Range



Almolonga, Guatemala. 1989.

Host Range Sweetpotato whitefly vs Diamondback moth



Broad host range

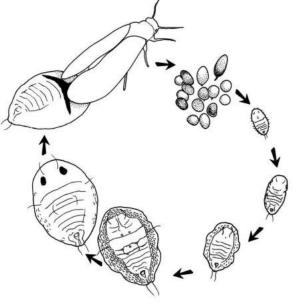


Just eats Brassicas

Sweetpotato whitefly, Bemisia tabaci biotype B (MEAMI)





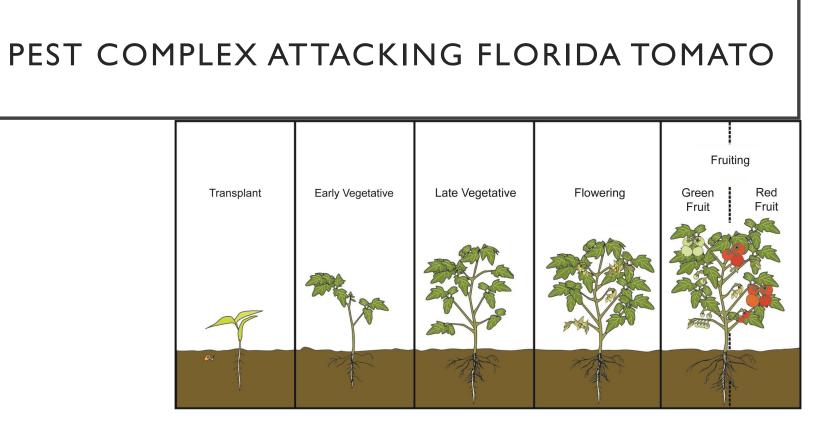






Life cycle ~

- about 3 wks from egg to adult.
- adults can live up to 2 wks.
- 5 wk treatment interval for designing insecticide rotations



	Vegetative	Flowering	Green Fruit	Ripe Fruit
Whiteflies		•		
Mites				
Thrips				
Leafminers	0000000			
Caterpillars		:		

MODE OF ACTION

- Mode of Action: the way an insecticide kills.
- More specifically, the means by which a toxin affects the anatomy, physiology, or biochemistry of an organism.
- Insecticide Resistance Action Committee <u>www.irac-online.org</u>
 - Defines modes of action
 - Provides MoA code to facilitate resistance management
- There are presently 31 main mode of action groups for insecticides.

ACTIVE INGREDIENT

- The component of a pesticide formulation responsible for the toxic effect (Pedigo 4th edition).
- The same active ingredient can be sold under different trade names for the same commodity
 - For example, abamectin is a miticide that is sold under different trade names for managing mites on vegetables (Abacus, Abba, Agri-Mek, and others).
- Companies almost always use a different trade name for the same active ingredient for vegetables vs ornamentals.
 - For example, spirotetramat (MoA 23) is sold as Movento for vegetables and Kontos for ornamentals.
 - When formulated for the certified organic market, a different trade name is often used.
- The biopesticide *Beauveria bassiana* is sold as BotaniGard for conventional use and Mycotrol-O for organic use.

SOME INSECTICIDE GROUPS ACTIVE ON THE NERVOUS SYSTEM

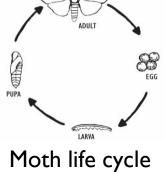
Group	MoA Code	Mode of Action	Examples
Carbamates	IA	Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors	oxamyl, methomyl
Organophosphates	ΙB	Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors	malathion, acephate, dimethoate
Pyrethroids	3A	Sodium channel modulators	bifenthrin, zeta-cypermethrin, lambda- cyhalothrin
Neonicotinoids	4A	Nicotinic acetylcholine competitive modulators	imidacloprid, dinotefuran, thiamethoxam
Spinosyns	5	Nicotinic acetylcholine allosteric modulators	spinosad, spinetoram

INSECTICIDES THAT PREVENT IMMATURE INSECTS FROM DEVELOPING (GROWTH REGULATORS)

Group	MoA Code	Mode of Action	Examples	Comments
Insect Growth	7	Juvenile hormone mimics	pyriproxifen	Several orders
Regulators	15	Chitin biosynthesis inhibitors O type	novaluron	Several orders
	16	Chitin biosynthesis inhibitors I type	buprofezin	Primarily Homoptera (certain sucking insects)
	17	Molting disruptor, dipteran	cyromazine	Diptera (flies)
	18	Ecdysone receptor agonist	methoxyfenozide, tebufenozide	Lepidoptera (caterpillars)
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Whitefly life cycle

Leafminer life cycle

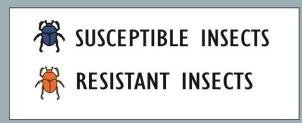


MODES OF ACTION REGISTERED FOR USE ON FLORIDA TOMATO FOR ARTHROPOD PESTS

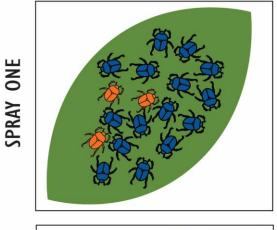
Pest	IA	ΙB	3A	4A	4D	5	6	7C	9B	9D	IIA	15	16	17	18	20B	20D	21A	22	23	25	28	29
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Whiteflies																							
Thrips																							
Caterpillar																							
Leafminer																							
TSSM																							
Russet Mite																							

INSECTICIDE RESISTANCE

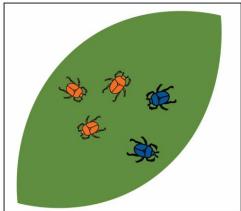
Insecticide resistance develops when successive generations of the pest are exposed to the same mode of action.

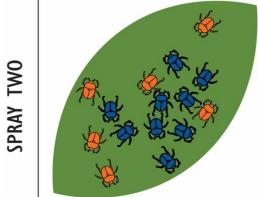


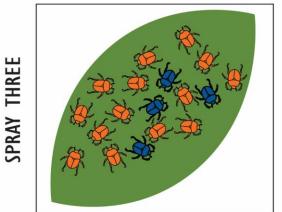
BEFORE THE SPRAY

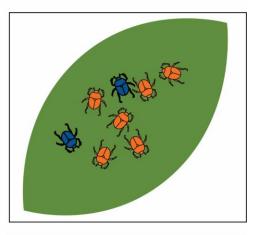


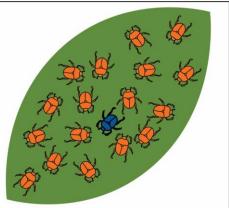












TREATMENT INTERVAL APPROACH

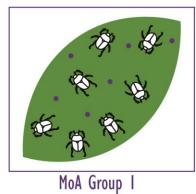
The treatment interval approach is used to avoid treating successive generations of the pest with the same mode(s) of action.

THE TREATMENT INTERVAL APPROACH TO RESISTANCE MANAGEMENT

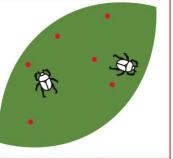
First Interval/Generation

Second Interval/Generation

Third Interval/Generation



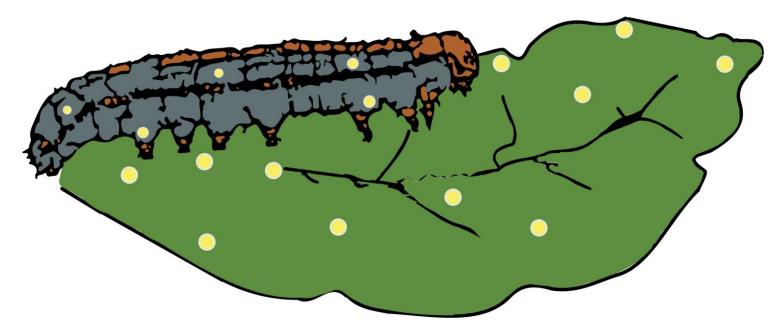
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MoA Group 3

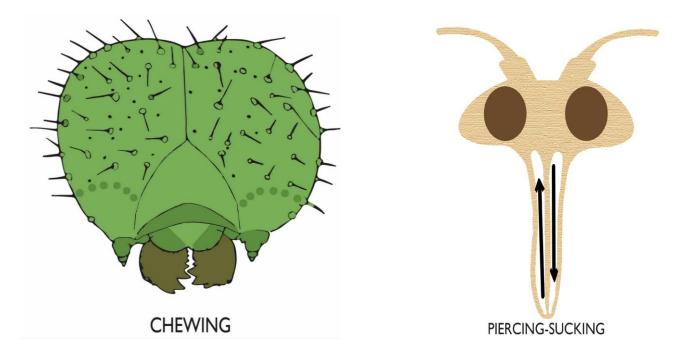
CONTACT INSECTICIDES

- Insecticide enters body when insect is directly sprayed or moves over treated surface
- Insecticide absorbed through body wall.



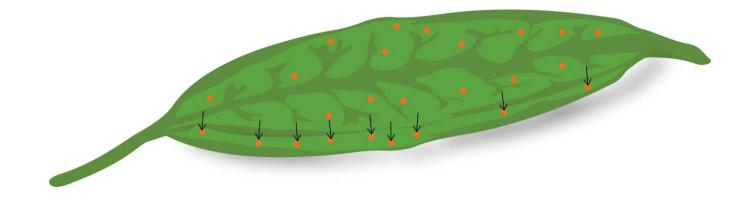
INGESTION

• Insect consumes treated plant tissue (chewing mouthparts) or ingests plant sap from vascular system (piercing-sucking mouthparts).



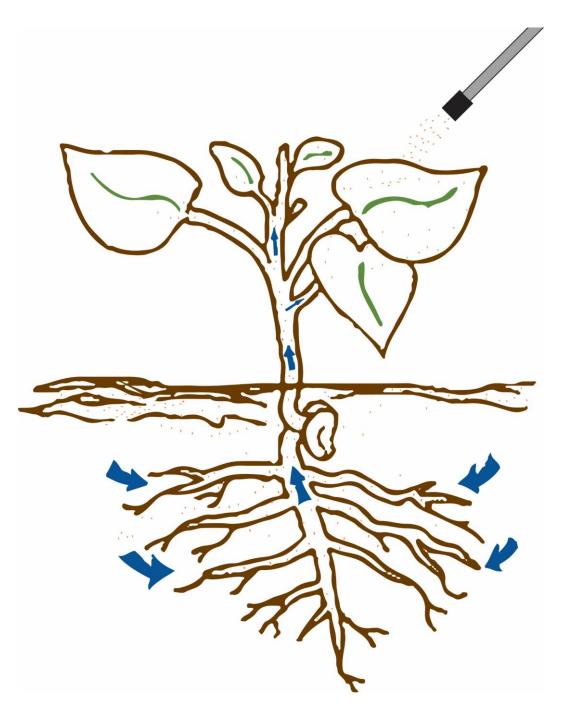
TRANSLAMINAR INSECTICIDES

- Move from one side of leaf to other
- Reservoir of insecticide is maintained in leaf
- Common examples: abamectin, acephate, spinetoram



SYSTEMIC INSECTICIDES

- Taken up by roots or foliage
- Move through plant's vascular system
- Mostly used against insects with piercingsucking mouthparts
- Common examples: neonicotinoid and diamide insecticides



BIOPESTICIDES

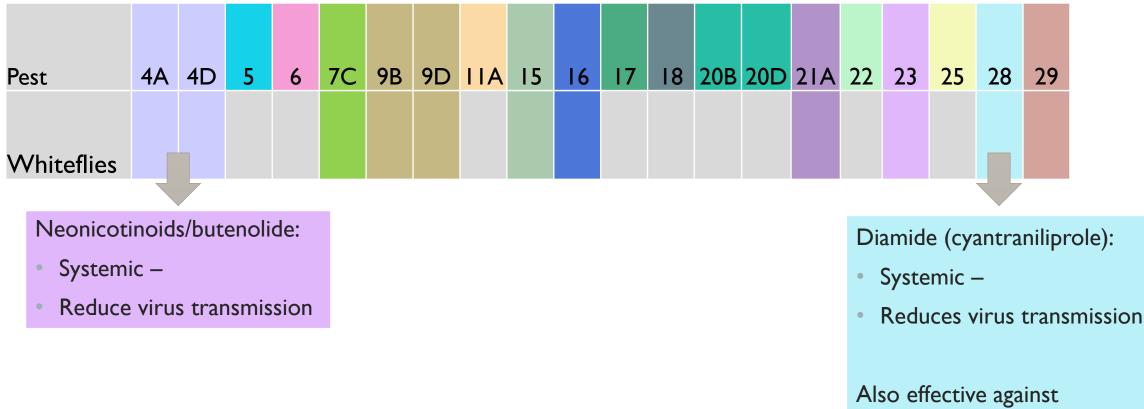
Most biopesticides:

- Low risk for resistance (most have no IRAC MoA)
- Pollinator compatible
- Biocontrol compatible
- Have 4 hour REI
- Have 0 day PHI
- Are approved for certified organic production

BIOPESTICIDES

Туре	Group	MoA Code	Examples (Trade Name)	Mode of Action	Comments
Bacillus thuringiensis products	Bts	IIA	Dipel, Javelin, Xentari	Microbial disruptors of insect midgut membranes	Mostly caterpillars
Mechanical effect	Insecticidal soaps and oils		M-Pede, Suffoil-X, JM Stylet Oil	Suffocation, desiccation, incapacitation	Small soft bodied insects
Microbial	Entomo- pathogens		BotaniGard, Mycotrol, PFR-97	Fungal infection	Require high humidity
Botanical and fermentation products	Azadirachtin products, others		Aza-Direct, Grandevo	Repellant, IGR	

MODES OF ACTION REGISTERED FOR MANAGEMENT OF WHITEFLIES AND TYLCV ON FLORIDA TOMATO



leafminers and caterpillars.

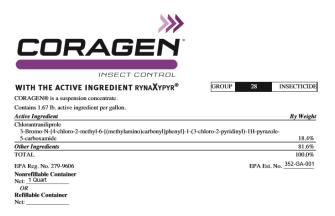
Modes of action are grouped by number (main group), not letter (subgroup) in treatment intervals.

Dinotefuran (Venom) – MoA Group 4A (neonicotinoid). Extensive pollinator protection language Flupyradifurone (Sivanto Prime) – MoA Group 4D (butenolide). Pollinator Best Management Practice Language

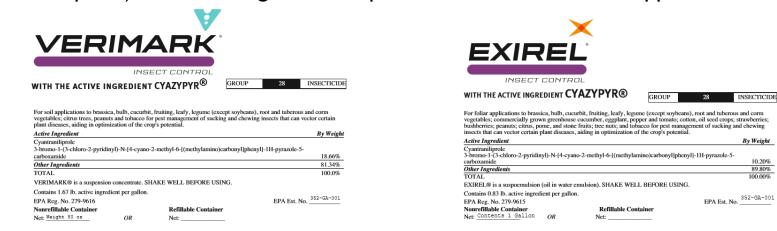
In some instances insects may be resistant to active ingredients in one subgroup, but not the other.



Group 28: diamides are systemic insecticides that target whiteflies, caterpillars and leafminers on tomato.

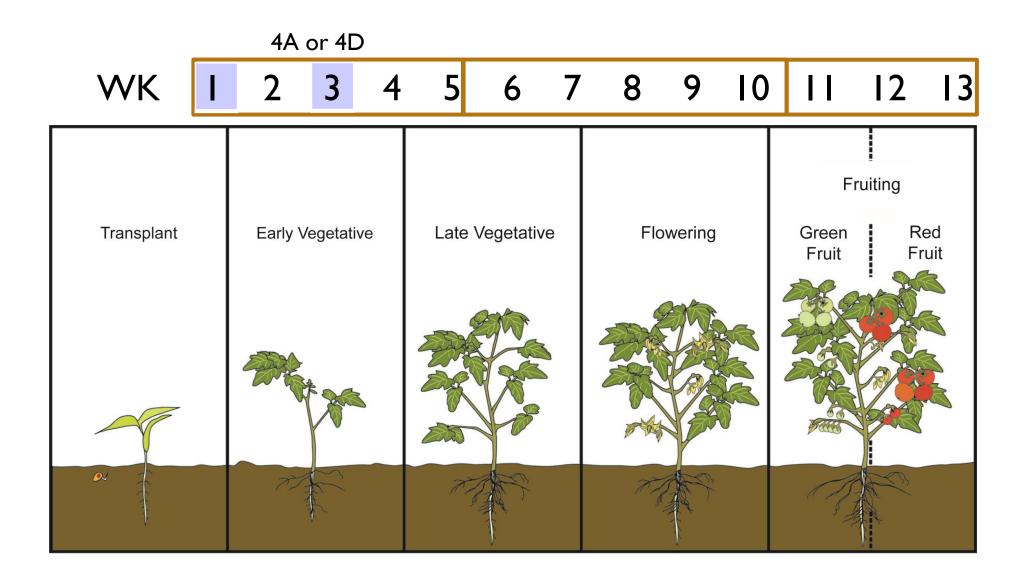


Coragen (chlorantraniliprole) is effective against caterpillars and leafminers, and suppresses whitefly nymphs on tomato.

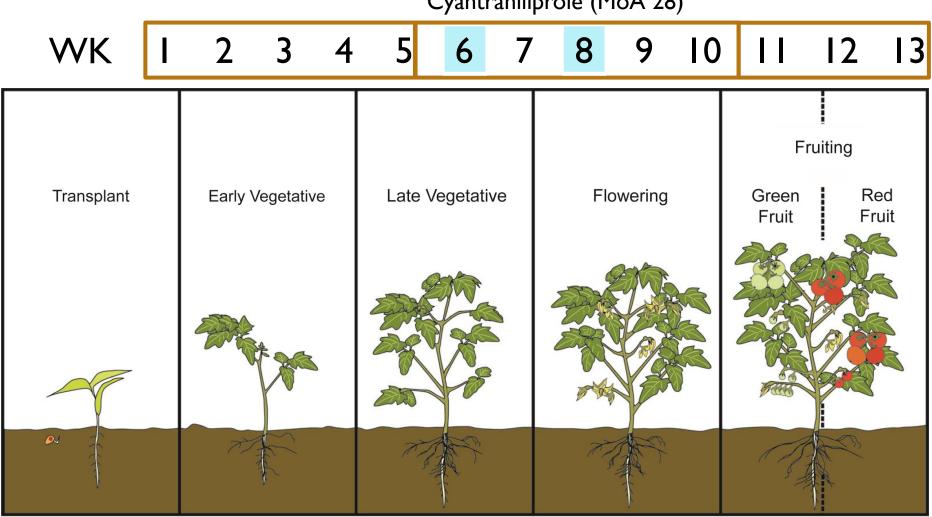


Verimark and Exirel (cyantraniliprole) are effective against whitefly adults and nymphs, as well as caterpillars and leafminers on tomato. Cyantraniliprole has been implicated in the reduction of transmission of *Tomato yellow leaf curl virus* by whiteflies.

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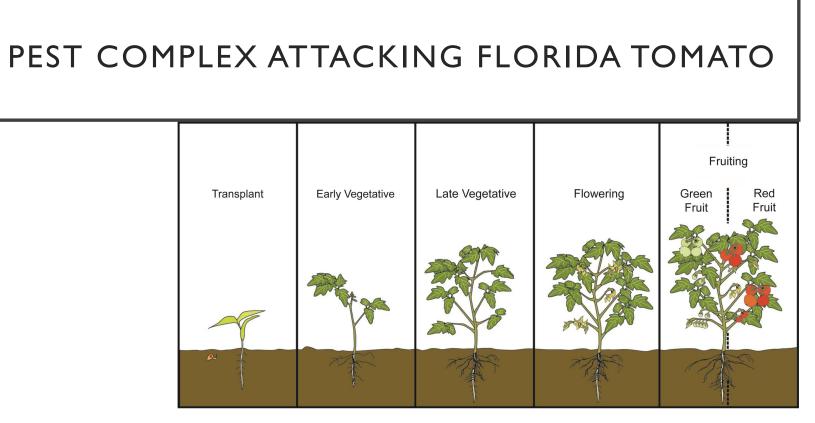
Cyantraniliprole (MoA 28)

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Cy	antranilipro	ole (MoA	28)		Flupyr	radifur						
WK I	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	П	12	13
Transplant	Early	Vegetative	è	Late V	⁄egetati	ve	Fl	owering		F Green Fruit	-	Red Truit
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In this scenario a grower should not apply chlorantraniliprole (Coragen, MoA 28) during the second fiveweek treatment interval for caterpillars or leafminers because a group 28 (cyantraniliprole) has been applied during the first five-week treatment interval. The grower would need to choose different modes of action for caterpillars (for example 11A, 18, 22A) or leafminers (for example 6, 17).

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WK I	2 3 4	5 6 7	8910	11 12 13
				Fruiting
Transplant	Early Vegetative	Late Vegetative	Flowering	Green Red Fruit Fruit
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Whiteflies					
Mites					
Thrips					
Leafminers		0000000			
Caterpillars					

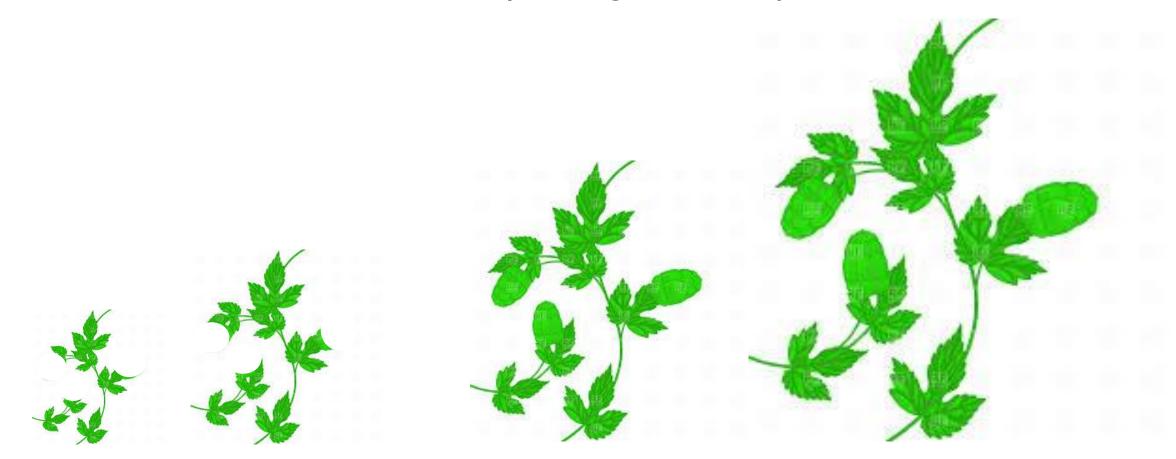
2.5 Acre Hop Yard, GCREC



Hops cones = fruiting bodies/strobiles. Contain lupulins: hops acids and essential oils.



At GCREC, hops are grown Feb-June.



Early Vegetative Late Vegetative Cone Formation Harvest

https://rfclipart.com/beer-hop-cone-and-leaf-1964-vector-clipart.html

- Scouting the upper stratum of hops is a challenge.
- Shorter trellised hops are easier to scout.





Primary pests: damage cone

Secondary pests: damage foliage, stem



Tetranychus spp. on hops, GCREC



Two-spotted spider mites

- Life cycle: 8-12 days at 86 F.
- Females produce 5-6 eggs per day, 60-120 in lifetime.

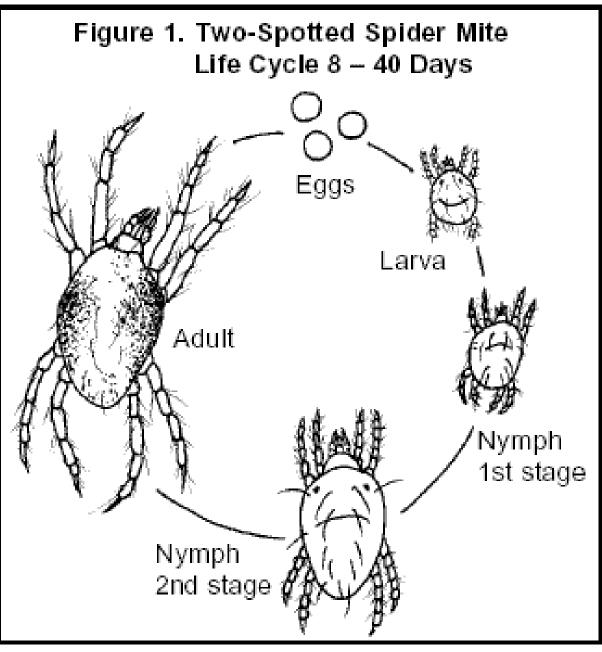


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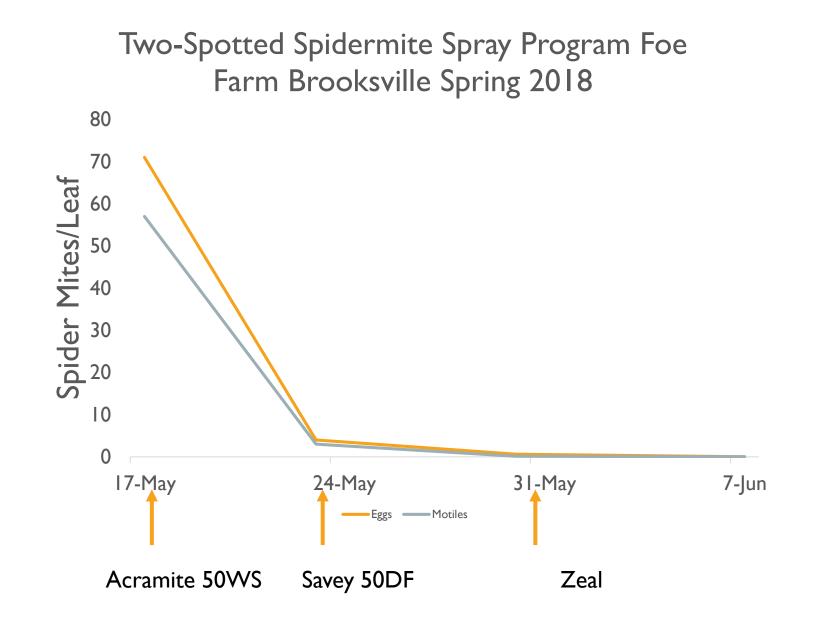
Active Ingredient (# applications)	Mode of Action Number	Examples	Restricted	PHI (days)
abamectin	6	Agri_mek SC	Yes	28
hexythiazox (I)	I0A	Savey 50 DF	No	Apply up to burr formation
etoxazole (I)	IOB	Zeal	No	7
acequinocyl (2)	20B	Kanemite 15 SC	No	7
bifenazate (I)	20D	Acramite 50 WS	No	14
fenazaquin (1)	21A	Magister SC	No	
fenpyroximate (1)	21A	Portal XLO	No	15
spiridiclofen (1)	23	Envidor	No	14
spirotetramat	23	Movento	No	7

Miticides registered for use on hops.

Oberon (spiromesifen MoA 23) and Nealta (cyflumetofen MoA 25) not registered.

Biopesticides (mostly OMRI approved)

- Insecticidal soap
- Azadirachtin products
- Neem oil
- Pyrethrins
- Microbial controls: Beauvaria bassiana, Paecilomyces fumosoroseus
- Sulfur



Applying miticides GCREC hopyard





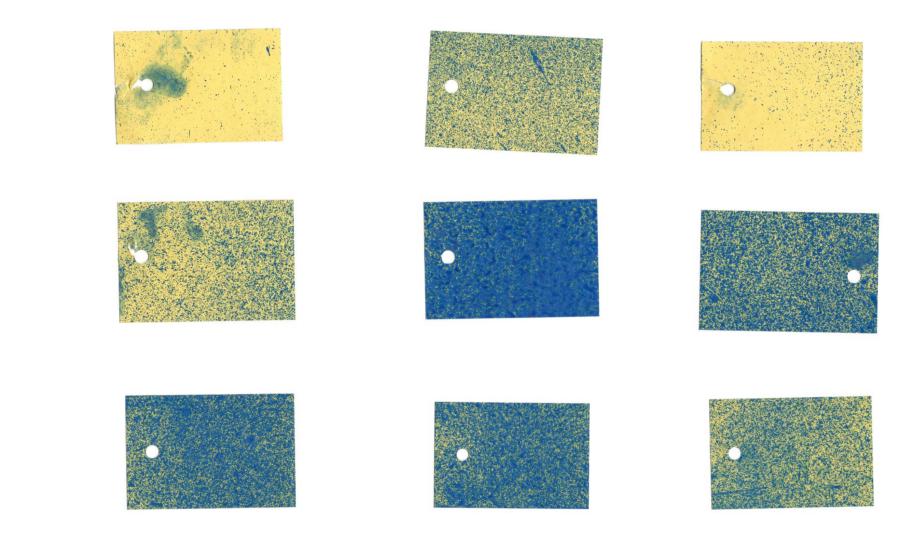


Spray card evaluation

- Cards placed every 32 ft along row at 3 heights:
- 3, 9 and 18 ft off the ground

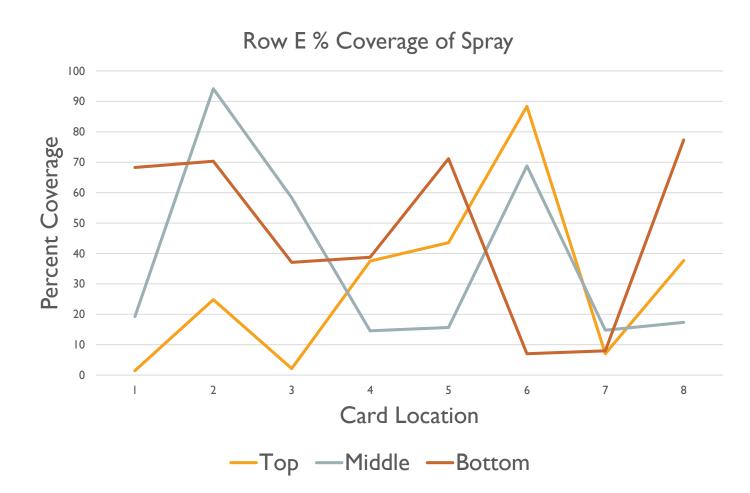


9 ft



64 ft

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Spider Mites vs Predatory Mites



TSSM and predatory mite (Amblyseius californicus)

Phytoseiulus persimilis

Photos: Lyle Buss

GCREC Hopyard Spring 2019

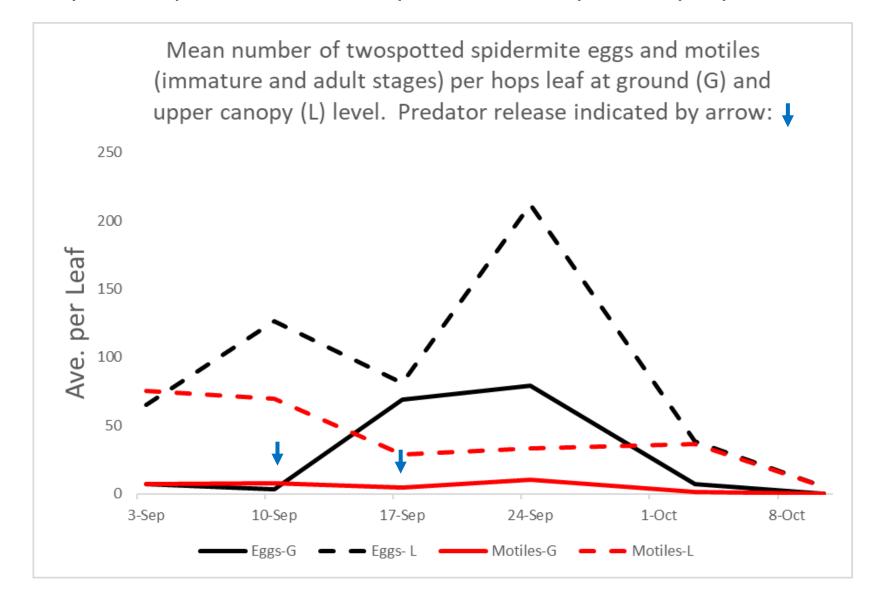
27 March ~ 10 persimilis every other plant

24 April – same

Donated by BioBee



2019 Fall Hops Season Spider Mite Densities. Phytoseiulus persimilis released Sept 10 and 17; 15 persimilis per plant total.



2019 Fall. Neoseiulus sp. predatory mites (naturally occurring) found with spider mite infestations



Stethorus (Coccinelidae): naturally occurring mite predator



DESIGNING INSECTICIDE ROTATIONS

- Group modes of action by treatment interval, defined by life cycle of pest
- Carbamate (IA), organophosphate (IB) and pyrethroid (3A) insecticides are rarely the go-to products for any pest problem in vegetables
- Systemic insecticides are important for management of vectored pathogens
- Insecticides that target multiple pest groups should be saved for when those pests are likely to be present
- Impacts on pollinators and preharvest interval should be taken into account when planning a season-long insecticide program.

INSECTICIDES WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF IPM

- Use scouting and threshold information if available
- Deploy other strategies to manage pests and reduce reliance on insecticides (repellent mulches, host plant resistance)
- For efficacy information: Arthropod Management Tests, other peer-reviewed and university-based information online; consult Extension specialists, growers
- Remember there is no 'one size fits all' approach to planning insecticide rotations

SOME THINGS TO ASK BEFORE YOU SPRAY

- I. What is the stage of the crop?
- 2. What has already been sprayed?
- 3. Are pollinators at risk?
- 4. How close are you to harvest?
- 5. Are there older or younger plantings nearby?



UF/IFAS INFORMATION SOURCES FOR UNDERSTANDING PESTICIDE USE

UF/IFAS Pesticide Information Office

- <u>https://pested.ifas.ufl.edu/</u>
- 352-392-4721

